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Week Ending August 27, 2017

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Arkansas, there were 6.1 days suitable for fieldwork for the week ending Sunday, August 27, 2017. Topsoil moisture supplies were 7 percent very short, 22 percent short, 67 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 7 percent very short, 20 percent short, 68 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 62.0 degrees Fahrenheit at Calico Rock to 72.3 degrees Fahrenheit at Crossett. Highs ranged from 80.6 degrees Fahrenheit at Kingston to 94.4 degrees Fahrenheit at Crossett. Precipitation was scarce throughout the state, with the highest concentration occurring in the west central part of the state with an average of 0.86 inches.

Crop progress for week ending August 27, 2017

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, dough	100	99	100	100
Corn, dent	96	93	100	99
Corn, mature	86	75	92	86
Corn, harvested	27	11	20	33
Cotton, open bolls	15	9	22	23
Rice, headed	99	98	99	96
Rice, mature	52	37	66	51
Rice, harvested	11	3	11	11
Sorghum, coloring	96	91	98	95
Sorghum, mature	77	67	88	69
Sorghum, harvested	51	15	16	25
Soybeans, blooming	100	99	100	99
Soybeans, setting pods	98	96	98	96
Soybeans, turning color	46	34	34	34
Soybeans, dropping leaves	25	15	13	15
Soybeans, mature	16	7	10	9
Soybeans, harvested	3	1	1	3

Crop condition for week ending August 27, 2017

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	1	5	15	56	23
Cotton	1	2	11	54	32
Hay, alfalfa	0	9	76	15	0
Hay, other	2	4	30	54	10
Livestock	0	2	24	61	13
Pasture	1	5	32	49	13
Peanuts	0	0	11	49	40
Rice	1	9	20	50	20
Sorghum	0	10	36	47	7
Soybeans	2	7	20	53	18

Comments from Cooperative Extension Service County Agents

“Spraying late soybean fields for pod feeding worms and irrigation of soybeans and peanuts were the major row crop activities last week. Hay harvest and preparation for planting cool season annuals were the main livestock activities last week. There were a few reports of armyworms in forages.”

-Mike Andrews, Randolph County

“Corn harvest began last week with good yields. Producers were monitoring soybeans closely for bollworms and defoliators. Producers harvested hay last week in anticipation of increased rain chances next week.”

-Kevin Lawson, Perry County

“Harvest commenced in soybeans, corn, grain sorghum, and rice. There was optimism for some outstanding yields in spots. Concern arose from producers about heavy rains from Hurricane Harvey just as we start harvest on a large scale.”

-Russ Parker, Crittenden County

“Rain fell early last week in certain spots in the county. Those areas that were missed, irrigation continued. Corn and rice harvest pace increased throughout the week with good yields reported.”

-Brent Griffin, Prairie County

“Pasture and hay conditions were still good although late in the season. Conditions were great for early establishment of cool season forages. Producers made 4th cuttings of hay just to keep armyworms from getting it.”

-Glenda Sutherlin, Union County

## Arkansas Weather Summary for Week Ending August 27, 2017

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	Rain Days	DFN	Four Weeks	Four Weeks DFN
<b>Northwest</b>										
Kingston	80.6	64.3	72.4	76.5	-4.0	1.12	1	NA	8.33	NA
Lead Hill	83.3	62.1	72.7	75.3	-2.6	0.39	2	-0.29	2.83	0.03
Winslow	81.0	64.7	72.8	NA	NA	0.85	2	NA	8.30	NA
Extreme/Average	81.6	63.7	72.7	75.9	-3.3	0.79	2	-0.29	6.49	0.03
<b>North Central</b>										
Calico Rock	83.0	62.0	72.5	75.9	-3.4	0.00	0	-0.65	6.55	3.92
Evening Shade	84.0	63.6	73.8	78.5	-5.0	0.12	1	-0.32	4.37	1.94
Gilbert	85.1	63.7	74.4	77.6	-3.2	0.02	1	-0.58	2.97	0.42
Mammoth Spring	85.4	62.7	74.1	76.1	-2.0	0.10	1	-0.58	1.97	-0.70
Mountain Home	84.4	64.7	74.6	78.1	-3.5	0.87	1	0.09	5.18	2.36
Mountain View	85.9	64.7	75.3	78.2	-2.9	0.64	1	-0.13	4.54	1.30
Extreme/Average	84.6	63.6	74.1	77.4	-3.3	0.29	1	-0.36	4.26	1.54
<b>Northeast</b>										
Corning	86.1	65.1	75.6	78.4	-2.7	0.02	1	-0.54	3.46	0.89
Jonesboro	86.6	66.7	76.6	78.5	-1.8	0.88	1	0.33	4.08	1.48
Keiser	NA	NA	NA	79.9	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.74	2.12
Newport	85.6	66.7	76.1	79.4	-3.3	0.00	0	-0.58	2.26	-0.19
Pocahontas	87.1	65.7	76.4	77.6	-1.1	0.00	0	-0.74	4.50	1.61
Searcy	88.7	69.0	78.8	79.8	-1.0	0.00	0	-0.51	1.39	-0.76
Extreme/Average	86.8	66.6	76.7	78.9	-2.0	0.18	1	-0.41	3.24	0.86
<b>West Central</b>										
Booneville	88.4	69.0	78.7	79.1	-0.4	1.92	2	1.47	6.27	3.94
Dardanelle	88.6	67.4	78.0	80.6	-2.6	0.18	1	NA	5.27	NA
Mena	87.4	67.7	77.6	77.6	0.0	0.26	2	-0.30	7.13	4.62
Subiaco	87.3	67.7	77.5	79.5	-2.0	1.08	1	0.40	9.06	6.35
Waldron	87.6	65.9	76.7	78.2	-1.5	0.84	1	0.17	4.26	1.63
Extreme/Average	87.9	67.5	77.7	79.0	-1.3	0.86	2	0.43	6.40	4.13
<b>Central</b>										
Alum Fork	84.9	66.9	75.9	78.3	-2.5	0.32	2	-0.36	7.17	4.39
Cabot	88.4	67.4	77.9	79.9	-2.0	0.04	1	-0.63	3.45	0.99
Conway	88.9	67.1	78.0	79.9	-1.9	0.05	2	-0.58	6.62	4.24
Hot Springs	88.0	70.6	79.3	81.1	-1.8	0.19	1	-0.48	5.15	2.37
Morrilton	87.3	66.6	76.9	79.1	-2.2	0.44	2	-0.20	6.94	4.51
Extreme/Average	87.5	67.7	77.6	79.7	-2.1	0.21	2	-0.45	5.87	3.30
<b>East Central</b>										
Brinkley	NA	NA	NA	79.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.00	-0.33
Des Arc	88.7	69.3	79.0	80.6	-1.6	0.03	1	-0.50	1.75	-0.45
Keo	90.4	71.0	80.7	79.6	1.0	0.26	1	-0.05	2.61	1.01
Stuttgart	89.4	70.6	80.0	80.1	-0.1	0.13	1	-0.33	1.56	-0.53
West Memphis	88.7	69.8	79.3	80.1	-0.9	0.00	0	-0.52	2.89	0.37
Extreme/Average	89.3	70.2	79.7	80.0	-0.4	0.11	1	-0.35	1.76	0.01
<b>Southwest</b>										
Ashdown	89.8	70.8	80.3	NA	NA	0.31	1	-0.20	10.80	8.51
Dequeen	91.0	71.5	81.3	80.6	0.4	0.02	1	-0.30	7.91	6.07
Hope	87.7	68.7	78.2	80.5	-2.3	0.69	2	-0.05	7.80	5.09
Murfreesboro	86.5	67.3	76.9	78.3	-1.4	NA	0	-0.61	6.57	4.03
Nashville	89.3	70.3	79.8	81.9	-2.1	1.12	2	0.51	6.24	3.78
Extreme/Average	88.9	69.7	79.3	80.3	-1.3	0.54	2	-0.13	7.86	5.50
<b>South Central</b>										
Camden	89.5	68.4	78.9	80.4	-1.6	0.02	1	-0.56	4.90	2.52
Fordyce	88.0	68.9	78.4	79.2	-0.7	0.00	0	-0.56	3.06	0.51
Magnolia	NA	NA	NA	80.5	NA	0.25	2	-0.24	7.38	5.76
Prescott	NA	NA	NA	79.5	NA	NA	NA	NA	4.59	3.01
Sparkman	86.0	70.0	78.0	79.4	-1.4	0.82	1	0.23	5.60	3.59
Extreme/Average	87.8	69.1	78.5	79.8	-1.2	0.27	2	-0.28	5.11	3.08
<b>Southeast</b>										
Crossett	94.4	72.3	83.4	79.8	3.5	0.05	1	-0.80	4.56	1.52
Eudora	92.2	72.0	82.1	82.3	-0.2	0.00	0	-0.65	10.23	7.21
Pine Bluff	90.5	72.0	81.3	81.0	0.2	0.00	0	-0.51	4.11	1.25
Portland	89.7	70.6	80.1	80.6	-0.4	0.01	1	-0.62	9.15	6.37
Rohwer	88.9	70.7	79.8	80.5	-0.7	0.72	2	0.23	5.98	3.74
Extreme/Average	91.1	71.5	81.3	80.8	0.5	0.16	2	-0.47	6.81	4.02
<b>State</b>	<b>87.4</b>	<b>67.8</b>	<b>77.6</b>	<b>79.1</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>0.37</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-0.25</b>	<b>5.09</b>	<b>2.40</b>

DFN = Departure from Normal.

Normal= Averaged Collected Data from the Years 1981-2010.

NA = Not Available.